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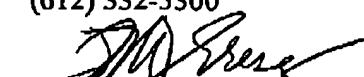
In response to the action mailed December 28, 2004, applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the time and consideration taken in acting on this application. Applicants have amended the abstract as directed by the examiner. A duplicate abstract page is enclosed for the Examiner's use. Also, applicants have amended claim 1 to overcome the formalities which the Examiner has mentioned on page two of the instant action.

Favorable consideration of all claims pending herein is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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